

I.C.P.O. Calendar

13-21 April 2006

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Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.

Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year).

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13/04/2006: Members of the Orkney Amateur Radio Club will be activating the Isle of Shapinsay (IOSA OR-07, SCOTIA OI-16 for the Scottish islands awards), Orkney Islands (EU-009), between Thursday, April 13th and Sunday, April 17th (subject to weather and sea conditions). They plan to have two full power stations on 80/40/30/20/17/15/10 meter CW and SSB. The call sign for this operation will be MM0MWW. QSL direct only (SASE + postage) to GM0IFM (Colin Blunn, Tiree, Rendall, Orkney KW17 2PB, United Kingdom). No bureau QSL please (not picked up and not answered), but QRV e-QSL and LOTW. They will have a Web page devoted to this DXpedition which will be updated when necessary at: www.eu009.com/2006shapinsay.htm [Tnx OPDX]

13/04/2006: Tomas, LY1DF, will be active as SV8/LY1F from Nisis Ydra [aka Hydra Island] (EU-075, MIA MG-136, WLOTA LH-1759) April 13-14th. Activity will focus on WARC band CW. QSL via home call (QRZ.com). [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

14/04/2006: Team leader Fredy (DE0MST) along with operators Daki (9A2WJ), Boro (9A3KB), Emir (9A6AA), Sven (DF9MV), Mathias (DL5MFL), Fredy's XYL Maria and Sven's XYL Petra plan to be active April 14-22nd as 9A0CI and homecall/p from Dugi Otok Island (EU-170, IOCA CI-018 for the Islands of Croatia award, CIA-10 for the Croatian Islands award, ACIA IC-367 for the All Croatian Islands award, MIA MC-074 for the Mediterranean Islands award, County ZD). They will also be activating the Veli Rat lighthouse (ARLHS CRO-183, WLH 9A-077, WLOTA LH-2375, WW Loc. JN74JD) at the same time. QSL 9A0CI via DE0MST (100% via bureau), others via their home calls. [Tnx DE0MST]

14/04/2006: Kurt, HB9AFI/p, plans to activate Mont Pelerin (SOTA HB/VD-043, 1080m, WW Loc. JN36JL, 2 points), Vaud region, on April 14th starting about 0930z. Activity will be on 7.030 MHz CW and 14.285 MHz SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

14/04/2006: Dana, VE1VOX, will be active as VE10TA April 14-16th from the LaHave Islands (NA-081). He will decide which islands to operate from upon his arrival to the area. Activity will be on 15, 20, and possibly 40 meters SSB. QSL to VE1VOX, direct preferred. Reminder, international postage requires an IRC or 2 USDs. [Tnx OPDX]

15/04/2006: Harald, DL2HSC/p, plans to activate the following summits for the Summits on the Air Award (SOTA) on April 15th: Spitzer Berg (SOTA DL/SX-180, 722m, WW Loc. J060QP, 6 points) at 1130z and Sophienstein (SOTA DL/SX-182, 703m, WW Loc. J060QP, 6 points) at 1400z, both located in the Saxony region. Activity will be on 14.285 MHz SSB, 2 meter SSB and FM. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

15/04/2006: Rannie, DU1EOV, plans to be active from Mt. Pulag, Luzon Island (OC-042, WLOTA LH-0081), Philippines from April 15-19th. The

focus of the activity will be propagation testing homebrew emergency communications. Mt. Pulag covers Benguet, Ifugao and Nueva Viscaya provinces in northern Luzon and reaches an altitude of 2,922m above sea level. It is the highest peak in Luzon and second to Mt. Apo as the highest peak in the Philippines. Known internationally to be the seat of the culture of indigenous peoples of Benguet. QSL via DU1EOV (QRZ.com). [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

15/04/2006: Bob/KC2EVO (ARLHS #176) and Pat/KC2NOW (ARLHS #1161) plan to activate the Colchester Reef (Shelburne museum) lighthouse (ARLHS USA-182), Vermont, on April 15th starting around 1200z. Look for activity on 7.265, 14.265 and 21.370 MHz (+/-) SSB. QSL direct to home call. [Tnx KC2EVO]

15/04/2006: JN1VXT/1 plans to be active from Kozu Island (IOTA AS-008, JIIA AS-008-004, WLOTA LH-0488), JA1 North Izu group, from April 15-16th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters and 50/144MHz SSB and CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx JI6KVR]

15/04/2006: Operators Mike/DK6QW, Claus/DF8QJ and Reinhard/DL6YFB will be active as OZ/homecall from Fanoe Island (EU-125, NS-002 for the Danish islands award) from April 15-22nd. They plan to operate on 80-10 meter CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 sporadically during the days. QSL via the operator's respective call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

15/04/2006: Look for W1AA to activate the Sandy Neck lighthouse (ARLHS USA-732) on Cape Cod, Massachusetts, on April 15th. Operation will start about 1130z and end about 1800z. Activity will start on 75 meter phone above 1980 kHz, then QSY to 40 meter phone around 7225 kHz. They will also use 20 meter phone later in the morning above 14310 kHz or 17 meters above 18150 kHz. They will QSY back to 40 meters around 1530 to 1600z. CW will be approximately on the half hour on 7035, 10116, 14035 and 18080 kHz (+/- QRM). Stateside QSL via W1AA (Appreciate a SASE) OK in any callbook or on QRZ.com, DX QSL via the W1 bureau. [Tnx W1AA]

15/04/2006: Marcos, EA1APV, will be signing W4/EA1APV from various Florida lighthouses, in the Cayos area, between April 15-20th. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

16/04/2006: Look for JN4MB0/5 and JA5BEX/5 to be active from Toyo Island (IOTA AS-076, JIIA AS-076-New), JA5 Shikoku Island group, on April 16th. Activity will be on the HF bands on or near the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via their home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx JI6KVR]

16/04/2006: Look for Ela/DL1TM and Tor/DJ4MG to be active as homecall/p from Insel Vendsyssel-Thy / Nordjylland Island (EU-171, NJ-001 for the Danish islands award, WW Loc. J047VK) between April 16th and May 4th. Activity will be on 160, 80, 40, 20 and 15 meter SSB and 20 meter PSK-31. They will also be QRV on 2 meter SSB. QSL via their home calls. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

17/04/2006: Daniel, DL5SE, will arrive in Lima, Peru, on April 17th and stay until April 30th and will be active as OA4/DL5SE. His activity will be mostly CW. [Tnx OPDX]

17/04/2006: Jan/DJ8NK reports that Roger/G3LQP and he will arrive at Point Blair, Andaman Islands (AS-001) on April 17th and plan to be active before/after and during the NIAR HAMFEST as VU4AN/homecall. Jan will try to operate the digital modes, because he believes that there is

a high demand and a good chance to get through with low power at this part of the sunspot cycle, although these modes are terribly slow. QSL via home calls. [Tnx OPDX]

17/04/2006: Saad, N5FF, has decided to proceed with his YK trip earlier than planned. He will arrive in Damascus on the evening of April 16th, and should be active again as YK1BA from April 17 through May 5th, returning home to Texas on May 6th. As usual, the purpose of the trip is not a DXpedition, so his operating will be sporadic. However, Saad hopes to be able to operate at least 3-4 hours a day. Saad states, "With the current band conditions, I don't have a solid plan as to what bands I will be operating on. However, I will operate on whatever bands (80-10m) and modes that have the best propagation at the time." He suggests that the most probable operating times are between 0100-0400z, 1900-2200z and possibly 1100-1400z. Modes of operations will be on SSB and CW, but he will do his best to work as much RTTY as possible also. QSL via N5FF. [Tnx OPDX]

18/04/2006: Jose, ON4LAC, will be active from Rodrigues island (AF-017 as 3B9/ON4LAC from April 18-29th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via ON4LAC. [Tnx OPDX]

18/04/2006: Francis, F6DPD, will sign 8Q7FB between April 18-24th from Kuramathi Island, Rasdhoo Atoll, the Maldives (AS-013). Barefoot 100 watts and vertical; active mainly on 7, 14 and 18MHz, in SSB and PSK. It's a holiday style expedition. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [Tnx F5RAB]

18/04/2006: Hanns, HB9/OE5AAP/p, will activate St. Chrischona summit (SOTA HB/BS-001, 522m, WW Loc. JN37UN, 1 point), Basel Land region, on April 18th starting around 1000z. Look for activity on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

18/04/2006: The Scottish-Russian ARS is organizing its first 2006 DX-pedition to Holy Island (EU-123, IOSA CL06, SCOTIA CS13). An island in Lamlash Bay off the east coast of Arran, Holy Island has an area of 263 Ha (625 acres) and rises to 314m (1030 feet) at Mullach Mor. It provides shelter to the bay which is one of this country's finest naval anchorages. The island is associated with the 6th-century Irish missionary St Mo Las who occupied a cave on the west shore near a spring known as St Mo Las' Well. This cave contains runic and early Christian inscriptions. Formerly owned by the Duke of Hamilton, the island was purchased in 1991 by Scottish Buddhists of the Samye Ling Tibetan Centre. Native plants, trees and shrubs have been introduced to the island which is a designated nature reserve and there are populations of Soay sheep and feral goats. Look for MS0DGR from 18th to 20th April 2006. The team consists of MM0DFV, GM0WRR, GM4TOQ and MM0GDL. They have got an official permission from the Samye Ling Tibetan Centre to operate from the island. Unfortunately they are not allowed to use a petrol generator, therefore the DX-pedition is going to be a QRP one. We will use an Icom IC-706 transceiver and 7.5A batteries. We are going to walk across the island with a light 9m fibreglass pole and 20/40m dipole antenna to activate some rare sites for different award programmes - Mullach Mor (SOTA SI-143), Pillar Rock Point Lighthouse (ARLHS SCO-100, WLOTA LH-1415 and WAB NATS A4330), Inner South West End Lighthouse (ARLHS SCO-101 and WAB NATS A4332). The island belongs to North Ayrshire Unitary Authority (WAB AYN), accordingly two WAB Areas will be activated - NS02AYN and NS03AYN. Approximate co-ordinates at the middle

point are 55,52N and 05,07W (QRA Locator IO75LM). QSL-cards should be sent to SRARS, P.O. Box 7469, Glasgow, G42 0YD, Scotland, U.K. [Tnx MM0DFV]

18/04/2006: The German/Polish DX Team consisting of Sigi/DL7DF, Manfred/DK1BT, Leszek/SP3DOI, Jerzy/SP3GEM and Janusz/SP3CYY will be active April 18-25th from Port Blair, Andaman Island (AS-001). They will use the following calls: Sigi (DL7DF) VU4AN/VU3RYB, Manfred VU4AN/DK1BT, Leszek VU4AN/SP3DOI, Jerzy (SP3GEM) VU4AN/VU3RWN and Janusz (SP3CYY) VU4AN/VU3RYG. They will take their usual equipment - 3 transceivers, a Titanex V80DX lowband vertical, a 5 band Hexbeam, a R7 and verticals for 40m and 30m plus laptops, filters etc. The team will be heading to VU4 on April 15 to have enough preparation time. [Tnx DL7DF]

18/04/2006: David, K3LP, will be QRV as VU4AN/VU3RWO from the Andaman Islands (AS-001) April 18-25th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, 10 MHz included. David plans to arrive on April 14-15th and Depart May 3rd. QSL via W3ADC. Further information can be found at www.K3LP.com. [Tnx F5NQL]

18/04/2006: Frank, DL4KQ/VU3FRK, will be active from the Andaman Islands (AS-001) as VU4AN/VU3FRK from April 18-25th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, 30 meters included, with an emphasis on CW. QSL via DL4KQ. [Tnx NG3K]

18/04/2006: Joe, DK5WL, will be active as VU4AN/VU3RYC from Lower Andaman (AS-001) between April 18-25th. His activity will be on 160-10 meters all modes, but he will focus on 20, 30 and 40 meter CW and PSK31. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. There will be updated information and an online log at: www.160m.de [Tnx OPDX]

19/04/2006: Operators Lars/SM0CCM (J73CCM) and Seth/SM7XBI (J79XBI) will be active from the Island of Dominica (NA-101) from April 19-28th. Activity will be on all bands SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via their home calls, bureau preferred. [Tnx OPDX]

19/04/2006: Nicola (IO5NY), Ernesto (I2FUG), Oscar (IK2AQZ) and Giovanni (IK2JYT) will operate from Mongolia from April 19th to May 8th. They will be active as JT1Y from Ulanbaatar and as JT0Y from Oigij, and will be QRV on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK on the HF bands (with an emphasis on 12 and 17 meters) and 6 meters. QSLs via IO5NY. [Tnx 425 DXN]

19/04/2006: Guenter, DL2AWG, plans to be QRV from Port Villa, Efate Island, Vanuatu Archipelago (OC-035), between April 19th and May 1st. His call will be YJ0AWG, if he can get it, or YJ0WG .. there is no information about this at the moment. Guenter will be using an FT-857 with a 300 watt amplifier into a triple leg antenna for 40-10 meters. Activity will be SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via home call (Guenter Gassler, Eichertstr. 8, 07589 Muenchenbernsdorf, Germany). [Tnx NG3K]

19/04/2006: A DXpedition to Aves Island (NA-020, WW Loc. FK85EQ, WLOTA LH-0134) using the callsign YX0A plans to be QRV on April 19th and should end around May 1st. The operators will be Ramon/YV5EED, Edgar/YV2IF, Rey/YV5AMH, Jose/YV5ANT, Pablo/YV5IVB, Jose/YV5LIX, Antonio/YV5LMW, Eduardo/YV5MHX, Federico/YV5NCZ, Gregorio/YV50HW, Alex/YV5SSB, Victor/YV5ZV, Jig/AD6TF and Ray/DL2GG. The DXpedition is limited to 14 operators by the Navy and they plan to be active on all bands on CW, SSB and digital modes. For the first week or so they will focus on SSB and CW while reserving the digital modes for a few days

before the end of the operation. Joe, YV5LIX, will be the digital modes coordinator for this DXpedition. A web site is presently under construction where further information will soon be available. The web site is located at <http://yv0.info/> [Tnx DE0MST]

20/04/2006: Riccardo, IZ1GDB, plans to be active from Kenya as 5Z/IZ1GDB between April 20 and May 1, 2006. He will be operating on 40, 20 and 15 meter SSB only. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

20/04/2006: YC6JKV, YB6LYS, YB6PLG, YB1B0D and YC6LAY will be active April 20-27th from Pulau Nias (OC-161, WW Loc. NJ81SM, Pulau Nias lighthouse WLOTA LH-1444). They plan to operate for five days on 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 meter SSB and CW, running barefoot and using homebrew directional antennas for each band. Look for them on the following frequencies: CW - 1.815, 3.530, 7.007, 10.115, 14.040, 18.098, 21.040, 24.920 and 28.040 MHz; SSB - 3.795, 7.055, 14.260, 18.128, 21.260, 24.950, 28.560 and 50.150 MHz. Due to the sunspot conditions, they will always stand by on 50,150 MHz and refrain from calling CQ. Details on Pulau Nias and the operation can be found at www.toba-dx-group.org/nias/; contributions will be gratefully accepted (please contact Agus, YC6JKV at yc6jkv@toba-dx-group.org). QSL via JN6RZM (Shuji Yamamoto, 2-23-24-402 Nishijin Sawara, Fukuoka 814-0002, Japan). [Tnx 425 DXN]

21/04/2006: Operators Mathias/DJ9MD, Jens/DK8MIL, Jan/DK7JAN, Thomas/DK9BTX and Arno/D09BS will operate as DF0TM from Neuwerk Island (EU-127, N-12 for the German islands award, Neuwerk lighthouse WLOTA LH-2311) from April 21-24th. They will be active on all bands, including 160 and 2 meters. In the afternoons listen on 14.260 MHz SSB. QSL via DF0TM. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

21/04/2006: Operators JA1KJW/6, JJI1JGI/6, JH1VWV/6 and others plan to be active from Tsushima Island (IOTA AS-036, JIIA AS-036-022), JA6 Nagasaki prefecture, from April 21-23rd. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx JI6KVR]

21/04/2006: Manuel (CT1BWW), Javier (HR2J), Lane (KC4CD/HR2), Antonio (HR2AHC), Daniel (HR2DMR) and Pedro (HR2PAC) will operate on all bands as HR4T and HQ4T from Isla del Tigre (NA-060) between April 21-25th. QSL direct to HR2J (Javier Pinel, P.O. Box 2754, San Pedro Sula, Honduras). [Tnx 425 DXN]

21/04/2006: IK2DUW, IK2GPQ, IK2WFE, IK8UHA and IW2OAZ will operate on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 6 and 2 meters as IB0/IQ2LB from Ventotene Island (EU-045, IIA LT-011, MIA MI-118, WLOTA LH-1403) on 22-24 April. QSL via bureau. [Tnx 425 DXN]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

09/04/2006: Brian, N9ADG, is currently active as N9ADG/VE7 from Gabriola Island (NA-075, BC-013 for the Canadian Islands Award) until April 15th. Amateur radio is NOT the major focus of this trip so expect Brian to be on the air occasionally. CW and SSB capability only. 100 watts maximum. Antennas for 80m-20m. QSL via home call (QRZ.com). [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

23/04/2006: From April 23rd till April 29th, 2006 a group of radio-amateurs will be active from Wiltz (Luxembourg) as LX/homecall.

Members of the group are Theo/PA1TO, Paul/PA2CW, Martin/PA2W and Con/PE100M. They will be active on all HF bands with special attention to 160m and the WARC bands. QSL via home call. More QSL information is shown on QRZ.com. A web site has been set up at www.xs4all.nl/~pa1to/lx2006.html [Tnx NG3K]

27/07/2006: Operators Dan/V01MX, Wayne/V01TA, Ken/V01KVT and Jason/V01JNS will be QRV from Exploits Island (NA-198, NF-052 for the Canadian Islands Award) from July 27-30th, including the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th). They plan to be active on all bands and modes. QSL via V01MX (QRZ.com). [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

29/07/2006: Look for Steve, W3RFA, to be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) from South Marsh Island (NA-140, USI MD-009 new one!) Somerset county, Maryland. SSB only 20 watts max. Steve will be accessing this island by canoe across 5 miles of open water. He will only have what we can pack in the canoe on a single trip. Low angle propagation should be good since the location is in the middle of a salt marsh. QSL via home call (QRZ.com). [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

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Operation approved for DXCC credit -

Further supporting documentation has been received for:

TT8PK - Chad

Operations are accredited for DXCC for the periods noted below:

>From March 15, 2004 to March 27, 2004

>From December 27, 2005 ending on October 3, 2006

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

13/04/2006: Special event station 8J6HAM will be active until May 28th to celebrate the 5th Nishinohon (or West Japan) Ham Fair. QSL via JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

13/04/2006: Special event station 8J0N will be active until June 30th to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Nagaoka-city. QSL via JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

13/04/2006: Special event station 8J10Y will be active until April 30th to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of Yoshikawa-city. QSL via JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

13/04/2006: Special event station 8N3HAM will be active until June 11th to celebrate the 11th Kansai Amateur Radio Festival. QSL via JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

13/04/2006: Special event station 8N3K will be active until October 10th to celebrate the Nojigiku (or Chrysanthemum japonense) Hyogo Kokutai (or The 61st National Sports Festival). QSL via JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

13/04/2006: Special event station 8N6HIGO will be active until May 28th to commemorate the 48th JARL annual general meeting. QSL via JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

13/04/2006: Special event station 8N6SRQ will be active until October 29th to commemorate the Saruku Urban Walking Tour Expo 2006 (Saruku: A dialect around Nagasaki, meaning "Saunter"). QSL via JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

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NEW QSL ROUTING -

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AC4TT
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9N1UD
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A52UD

Note that no no no stamps of any kind nor no no no IRCs should be sent.
US currency is OK.
ALWAYS INCLUDE RETURN SELF ADDRESSED ENVELOP FOR DIRECT REPLIES.

73,
Charles Harpole
k4vud@hotmail.com
[Tnx K1XN & The GOLIST]

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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ

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Canadian Checkpoint For:
All Croatian Islands Award - ACIA
All Croatian Islands Award Group - ACIAG
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